



SOLIHULL

MUSIC TUITION REGULATIONS

INSTRUMENTAL AND SOLO SINGING LESSONS – 2020/2021

Tuition on the following instruments can usually be arranged at the School for an extra termly fee. The fee for 2020/21 is £202.00 for ten 30-minute lessons):

Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Saxophone, Bassoon, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Guitar, Drum Kit & Percussion, Piano, Organ, Singing.

Parents are asked to note the following points:

1. The majority of pupils will be taught by members of the visiting music staff. Such staff are private, self-employed teachers and will therefore, in all respects of fees (billed in advance), arranging of lessons and contractual matters, deal directly with parents.
2. A number of pupils will be taught by members of the School's employed music staff as part of that teacher's allocation of lessons. In this case lessons are charged for in arrears on the termly School Account.
3. Pupils will generally receive one 30-minute lesson weekly during term time. Over a whole year this is likely to total about 30 lessons.
4. Lessons missed because of a pupil's absence will be charged for unless 24 hours' notice has been received. It is the pupil's responsibility to inform their music teacher of any absence, whether this is due to a school commitment or not. In the case of staff illness then staff will endeavour to re-schedule the lesson, or will not charge.
5. Any charge for printed music supplied by the school, exam charges, etc. will be added to the following term's fees account.
6. Pupils in the GCSE and A level years will be expected to attend for lessons during periods of study leave unless prior arrangements have been mutually agreed between teacher and pupil.
7. Lesson times & rotation:
 - a. Pupils in the Prep School will have their lessons during the school day on a rotational timetable. Instrumental teachers will inform both the pupil's form teacher and parents of the rotating pattern so they can then support the pupil in remembering their lesson times. Details will also be included in the pupil's Prep Book. Pupils who learn two instruments in school will, where possible, have one of their lessons set at a fixed, non-academic time and the other on rotation.
 - b. Senior School pupils up to and including Upper Fifth formers (Year 11) will have their lessons during the school day on a rotational timetable. Each week, pupils should write down the time of their lesson in their homework diary and also seek permission from their academic subject teacher at least 24 hours in advance. Pupils who learn two instruments in school will, where possible, have one of their lessons set at a fixed, non-academic time and the other on rotation.
 - c. Senior School pupils in the Sixth Form receive their lessons in study periods, lunchtimes or before/after school.
8. Some orchestral instruments are available for hire by pupils (£25 termly). Insurance of all instruments (hired or owned) is the responsibility of parents. Parents may wish to check with their home contents insurance provider whether instruments need to be listed separately on their policy. The hire of these instruments is intended to help students in starting an instrument without the initial expense of purchase. It is not intended that these instruments will be hired for a student's entire school career. All piano pupils need a piano at home, or regular access to one.
9. Pupils who have reached the necessary standard will be strongly encouraged to participate in the various musical activities of the school. All pupils learning an instrument are encouraged to sing in a choir to aid aural development.
10. If lessons are to be discontinued, **ONE TERM'S NOTICE OF TERMINATION** must be made in writing, both to the teacher and to the Director of Music, by the end of the first week of the term in which tuition is to cease. If this is not given, a charge of one term's fees may be made in lieu of notice.

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REQUEST FOR INSTRUMENTAL OR SOLO SINGING LESSONS 2020/21

- I have read the Music Tuition Regulations and wish my child to receive tuition as follows.
- I understand that there will be a termly charge. The termly fee for 2020/21 is £202.00 for ten 30-minute lessons.

Instrument: _____

No. of years played (or beginner): _____ Standard (grade): _____

Son/Daughter's Name: _____

Year Group name (2020/21) _____ Date of Birth _____
(e.g.: I2, J1, J3, Thirds, Fourths, Lower Sixth)

Parent/Guardian's Full Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

- * We have an instrument already
- * I wish to hire an instrument *(though pianos, organs and percussion instruments are not available).*
- I understand that there is a termly hire charge of £25.

** tick whichever applies*

Date _____ Signed _____